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Mr. Thomas M. Nielson President Minerals West, Inc. P. O. Box 277 Monticello, Utah 84535

> RE: Mi Vida Mine ACT/037/028

> > San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Nielson,

Thank you for your letter dated March 1, 1984 regarding the activity of Rio Algom Corporation at the Mi Vida Mine. You stated that they have sub-leased the operation and are operating independently.

The letter from the Division dated October 19, 1983 (paragraph four) did state that unless a transfer to the successor operator is executed pursuant to Title 40-8-19 of the Act, Minerals West, Inc. will retain the liability for the reclamation as well as annual reports (40-8-15).

If we can be of any assistance in clarifying the situation, please let us know.

Sincerely

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Reclamation Engineer

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cc: Mary Boucek, DOGM

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